

# The Hart

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council Newsletter

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**Ian Lloyd**

Parish Council Chairman

Welcome to the latest issue of The Hart. We hope that you find it useful and informative. Summer has now been and gone, the rain making an appearance far more than the sun. We will now start to see the night's drawing in and the inevitable marketing to get us to start buying our Christmas presents early.

Still, we are many weeks away from that and there is plenty to enjoy in our Parish with many groups offering activities. If you are feeling active, try cycling with the 'Hartwheelers' or playing a round of Tennis at Harthill Leisure Centre, more sedate activities include 'sending' a few bowls on the Bowling Green behind the Leisure Centre or joining 'Tea Day' for cake and good company. I was very impressed to see work that has been carried out in the workbench shed, the people that made these items should be suitably proud. Please read the various articles our groups write; they are always keen to welcome new members and it's a great way to meet people without having to leave our Parish.

Our much-loved Harthill District and Garden Society Show is being held on Sunday 17th September. So much work goes into organising this event which has been an intrinsic part of Harthill and Woodall's annual calendar for many years. For the event to continue parishioners need to join in and support it. For the first time we have published the classes in The Hart on page 2. There is something for everyone. You do not have to be an expert, only prepared to have a go, and come along and have fun. Please support this event.

The Hart magazine is put together by the clerk to the Parish Council. We always welcome any feedback, interesting articles or new ideas, so please get in touch with either me or Caroline, our Parish Clerk, if there is anything you'd like to raise. Parish Council contact details are on page 6.



Still soggy and awaiting sunshine! After a lovely start to the weather in June the rest of the summer weather has been wet to say the least, though on the positive side our grass and gardens seem to have flourished. Let's hope for some late sun and warmth! Whatever the weather we can look forward to our September show. This is our MAKE, SHOW AND GROW EVENT, this is going to be held for one day only on Sunday 17th September in the Village Hall. It is very different from our 3 day shows, much simpler with local judges and classes that are not judged by RHS qualified judges. We hope it is going to be a fun event with classes for baking, preserves, handicrafts, flower arranging, vegetables, woodwork, painting, sewing, knitting, and children's classes too. Please come and show what you have made or grown, and we can all share what a talented and clever lot of people of all ages that we have in Harthill, Woodall and surrounding areas.

Posters with more information will be going up around the Village and schedules will be in the usual places, they are also included on the village Facebook page and the HDGA website too. Please also see page 2 for various information about the event.

The flower arranging class for Village Organisations is always a popular and well supported one, with amazing and imaginative entries. This year the theme is 'THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC' and we are inviting all village organisations to enter and make it a cracker! The schedules give the dimensions for you to work to and this year there is no height restriction (except that of the hall roof!)

I am stepping down at the end of this year from my work as secretary with HDGA after 13 great years and Jill too is resigning as Treasurer. If anyone would be interested in either of these roles, please get in touch at: [mijen.shimwell@btinternet.com](mailto:mijen.shimwell@btinternet.com) and I can supply further information. Happy making and growing, looking forward to seeing everyone in September.

**Jenny Shimwell**  
(Show Secretary)



*A winner  
from last year*



# Harthill & District Garden Association

## Show Information & Schedule

Timetable of Events		
Staging of Exhibits	Sunday	9:00 am - 11:00 am
Hall Cleared	Sunday	11:00 am
Judging of Exhibits	Sunday	11:00 am - 1:30 pm
Open to Public	Sunday	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Presentation of Trophies - Best in Home Grown Section Best in Domestic Section Best in Show	Sunday	3:45 pm - 4:00 pm
Floral Display by Village Organisations		
And Raffle Draw	Sunday	3:45 pm - 4:00 pm

### Rules for the Show

- Each exhibitor shall, on completion of an entry form, agree to the rules and regulations of the show.
- All grown exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor for at least 2 months before the date of the show and all exhibits shall be the property of the exhibitor.
- All flowers/pot plants should be grown by the exhibitor from seed, cutting, bulb or plug. No entry should be bought flowers or pot plants. The only exception is for flowers entered in the Floral Art Sections as the Art is the basis for judging, not the growing.
- The Committee will endeavour to take reasonable care of exhibits while on the show benches but cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to any exhibit.
- At the end of the show (not before 4 pm) exhibits should be removed by exhibitors.
- Children's entries are FREE - All other entrants are 50p (Regardless of the number of entries).

### Sections that you can enter

#### Section 1 - Flowers

(All entries must be home-grown)

Class Class Description

- An arrangement of flowers with or without foliage
- 1 pot plant flowering
- 1 pot plant foliage
- Vase or bowl of roses

#### Section 2 - Vegetables

(All entries must be home-grown)

- 3 different kinds of vegetables, 2 of each to be displayed
- A basket of home grown fruit and/or vegetables for kitchen use
- A dish of 3 onions
- Potatoes, 1 dish of 3 white
- Potatoes, 1 dish of 3 other than white
- Beetroot, 1 dish of 3 with tops
- Carrot long, 1 dish of 3 with tops
- Carrot stump rooted, 1 dish of 3 with tops
- Parsnip, 1 dish of 3 with tops
- Cabbage red, 1 dish of 1 with stalk

### Victoria Sandwich Recipe

#### Ingredients

110g Butter or Margarine, 110g Caster sugar, 2 Eggs, 110g Self-Raising flour (sieved)

#### Method

- Pre-heat oven to 170C/160C Fan/Gas 3
- Cream fat and sugar together, beat in the eggs one at a time adding a little of the sieved flour with the second
- Gently fold in the remaining flour with a metal spoon
- Turn the mixture into lined cake tins (one 7" or two 6")
- Cook in the middle of the oven for 35 mins (7") or 25 mins (2x 6")
- Cool on a wire tray and sandwich with jam or with jam and cream
- Dredge the top with icing sugar



### Fatless Sponge Recipe 2

#### Ingredients

3 Eggs, 75g Caster Sugar, 75g Self-Raising flour

#### Method

- Pre-heat oven to 170C/Fan 150C/Gas 5  
Line 7" baking tin with paper
- Using an electric whisk, whisk together eggs and sugar until it has tripled in size and is stiff (test by using the whisk to make a line on top of the mixture - if it stays, it is ready)
- Carefully fold in the flour and pour the mixture into the tin. Cook for 10 mins
- Once cool remove from the tin

- Cabbage green, 1 dish of 1 with stalk
- Runner bean, 1 dish of 6
- Cauliflower, 1 dish of 1 with stalk
- Leeks, 1 dish of 2 with roots
- Marrow, 1 dish of 1 - must not exceed 15" (375 mm)
- Cucumber, 1 dish of 1
- Tomato small, 1 dish of 6 with calyx
- Tomato large, 1 dish of 3 with calyx
- Apple dessert, 1 dish of 3
- Apple cooking, 1 dish of 3
- Pears, 1 dish of 3

### Section 3 - Floral Art

- Arrangement of herbs in a jam jar
- Arrangement of flowers in a recyclable container  
Maximum 10 cm diameter (flowers need not be home-grown)
- Floral Display by Village Organisations  
Theme to be 'Thank You For The Music'  
Space 60 cm wide x 60 cm deep x height optional  
(Flowers need not be home-grown)  
There is a Shield for the winner

### Section 4 - Domestic

All exhibits must be home-made

- Plate of 6 biscuits of your choice
- 1 Victoria Sandwich - (fixed recipe - see below)
- A Fatless Sponge Cake - no filling (fixed recipe - see below)
- 1 decorated cake or 'dummy cake' decoration only to be judged. Theme 'Novelty or Celebration'
- 1 savoury flan
- 1 jar of lemon curd
- 1 jar of jam
- 1 jar of Jelly
- 1 jar of chutney

### Section 5 - Handicrafts

- 1 hand knitted item
- 1 crocheted item
- 1 item of needlework (including dressmaking, bag making and stuffed toys)
- 1 item of embroidery - tapestry
- 1 item of embroidery - cross-stitch
- 1 item of embroidery - hand embroidery
- 1 item of embroidery - machine embroidery
- A hand crafted item made of wood
- A picture - any medium
- A decorated wooden spoon

### Section 6 - Children and Young People

- A royal crown - any medium - age up to 7 years
- A royal crown - any medium - age 8 - 11 years
- A plate of 3 vegetables I have grown - age up to 11 years
- A plate of 3 home-made cup-cakes - age up to 7 years (with a little parental guidance)
- A plate of 3 home-made cup-cakes - age 8 to 11 years (with no parental help)
- A painted pebble or rock - age up to 11 years
- A picture of the King - any medium - A4 size -age up to 11 years
- A poster 'Save the Bees' - any medium - size - age up to 11 years
- A decorated paper plate 'Save the Planet' - age up to 11 years
- A decorated wooden spoon - age up to 11

The Committee would like to thank all exhibitors for taking part in our show

# Harthill Carnival & Show 2023



New website now live - Please visit:  
<https://harthillcarnivalsociety.wixsite.com/carnival>

Despite the weather god's not shining down on us this year, the community certainly did not let us down, and it was great to see so many people supporting the Carnival and Show once again.

This year's Carnival parade was superb, and it was great to see all of the fantastic effort organisations and individuals had gone to in order to celebrate the Kings Coronation theme. Thank you to all of those who took part in the parade, and also to those who came out to watch and support the parade, it was great to see so many people lining the streets!



Congratulations to the Blue Bell on winning 1st Place and to all the winners of the float prizes. A big thank you to Ian Lloyd, Chairman of Harthill with Woodall Parish Council for judging the parade and officially opening the Carnival.

We welcomed back the Heavy Horse Show again this year. A fabulous show was created by Mike and Dorothy Bingham, and we are truly grateful for all of their time and efforts in organising this.



The main arena proved as popular as ever with the crowds. The Battleaxe Display team certainly had people entertained with their interactive axe throwing show. It was also great to welcome back the Dog Show again this year. A big thank you to Jo Dawson and Scott Bannister for organising this, and to Dawson Radford Solicitors for sponsoring this.

The Village Green was as popular as ever with live music, street food and a variety of beverages, all contributing to create a great relaxed vibe. Thank you to all of the performers who provided the afternoons entertainment.

It was great to see the Vintage Tractors & Engines on full display, along with the Jaguar Classic Car club and Coopers array of vehicles.

The animal enclosure proved as popular as ever and we would like to thank Julian Morley for bringing this together.

The Carnival night event was one of the best for many years. The Rhythm Detectives performed to a sell out crowd. The feedback we had was overwhelmingly positive, so much so, we have booked them again for next year. We will announce when tickets are on sale in due course, so please follow us on our social media channels below to keep up to date.

Special thanks to Paul Rowland for providing the photography over Carnival Day.

We would like to thank our Gold Sponsors who supported us this year, Brookhouse Gas Services Limited, Bondhay Golf Club, Buchannan Solicitors and Ready Steady Move Estate & Letting Agents.

Our thanks and gratitude also go to Kier and WJ & HW Martin for their generous donations towards this year's Carnival and Show.

Last, but by no means least, we are extremely grateful to Harthill with Woodall Parish Council for the on-going support they continue to provide us.

It is imperative to the existence of Harthill Carnival & Show, that we continue to be supported by businesses, organisations and individuals by whatever means they are able to help. To stage this year's Carnival, the cost was just over £23,000. This has increased significantly over the last few years, mainly due to increases in costs, but also to having to pay for certain areas, which in previous years was already covered.

If you belong to a business or organisation that is able to offer support, then please do get in touch and let us know. Equally if any individuals are able to offer any support, again, please do get in touch.

You can keep up to date on our Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/harthillcarnivalsociety](http://www.facebook.com/harthillcarnivalsociety)  
Instagram - hartcarnival  
Best Wishes

**Harthill Carnival Society**



## The Old Schoolroom

Do you need somewhere to host a party, or a meeting, a training session, a fitness class or maybe you just need some space to get a large group of friends together? Then why not try the Old Schoolroom? There is a well-equipped kitchen, toilet facilities, seating and tables to accommodate up to 40 people. The venue is particularly popular for children's parties. The rental cost is £10 per hour. Bookings can be made online at [allhallowsharthill.org](http://allhallowsharthill.org) (click on Schoolroom). Alternatively email [allhallowsharthill@gmail.com](mailto:allhallowsharthill@gmail.com) or phone the manager Angela on 0779 9142887.



## All Hallows Church

Dear Friends

Many people now fill their shopping baskets with good healthy superfoods like blueberries or broccoli which help reduce harmful inflammation caused by stress that can lead to all sorts of diseases. One of the most common recurring stresses we put ourselves under is the burden of resentment, anger and hurt. We hold onto the pain which actually causes us harm.

Pain is a natural consequence of being mistreated, experiencing loss or having unmet expectations in important relationships. But no matter how justified our pain might feel, holding on to anger and hurt, ultimately works against us.

People can get stuck with a health issue because a past hurt continues to haunt them and drives their choices. If we are constantly full of negative thoughts and emotions these will eventually affect our health.

Forgiveness is an important remedy and is essential for spiritual growth. When we are so close to God in our spiritual lives then God's nature to forgive quickly becomes our nature too and lead to better health.

Forgiving someone everyday has the same transformative impact on our health as eating our greens or eating the rainbow. Daily forgiveness can nourish your body, mind and soul. It means you are far less likely to get stuck in the past but are now free to live in the present moment.

Jesus taught us to pray by saying, 'Forgive others as God forgives you.' So, the next time you put your blueberries in your basket or broccoli on your plate don't forget to ask yourself - 'Who can I forgive today?'

### Notices

Our services are 10.45 am each Sunday, other than the 3rd Sunday of the month when we worship with our neighbours at Thorpe Salvin. Harvest Festival is 10.45 am on the 1st October and we are collecting toiletries i.e. soap and toothpaste and deodorant for the Archer Project. Our Harvest lunch is 12 noon Saturday 14th October in the Old School Room. All are welcome; we are raising money for our missionary friend Anna Simms who is working in a women's prison in Lima, Peru.

### Blessings

*Reverend Gary Schofield*

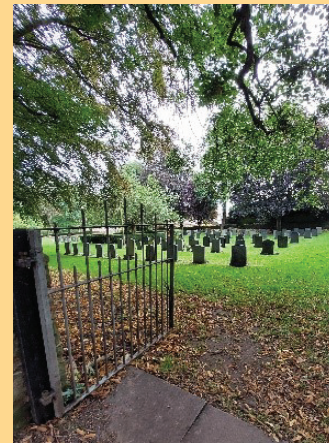
T: 01909 771111 - E: [gary.schofield@sheffield.anglican.org](mailto:gary.schofield@sheffield.anglican.org)  
Priest in Charge of Harthill with Woodall and Thorpe Salvin

## All Hallows Churchyards

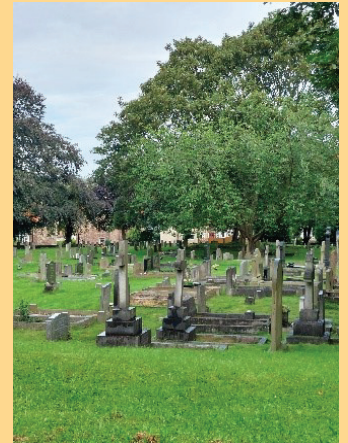
The first burials in the "New" Churchyard took place in 1983. Although the "Old" Churchyard is occasionally still used to access family graves, most burials since that time have taken place in the New Churchyard. Access is from Thorpe Road or through a gateway on the East side of the Old Churchyard. In a central place in the New Churchyard lies a circular area enclosed by a hedge. This is a designated area for burying ashes after cremation. As an alternative, ashes are sometimes buried within a loved one's grave.

It can be difficult to locate a grave and to make this easier, there is now a folder containing a plan of the New Churchyard giving an alphabetical list of those buried and a key to the site of the individual graves. Not all graves have memorial stones. Additionally, there is a plan for the Cremation area in the New Churchyard and one for the Cremation area in the Old Churchyard alongside Union Street, close to its junction with Church Lane. Each area has an alphabetical list.

The Old Churchyard has graves dating back several hundred years. Many of the gravestones are hard to read but in the 1980s a plan was made and can be located on [www.genuki.org.uk](http://www.genuki.org.uk) Search for Harthill churchyard and you will find a numbered plan plus a list of all the graves which took place up to the date of their survey which coincided with the start of the New Churchyard as a burial area. There is also a wonderful list of all the inscriptions on the gravestones that were legible at the time.



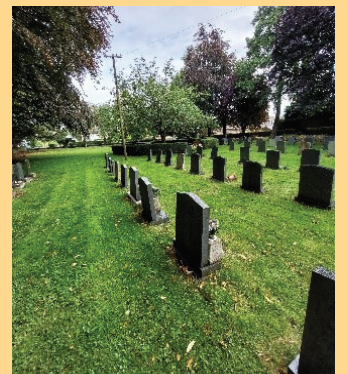
*New Churchyard  
from the access gate*



*Old Churchyard*



*New Churchyard*

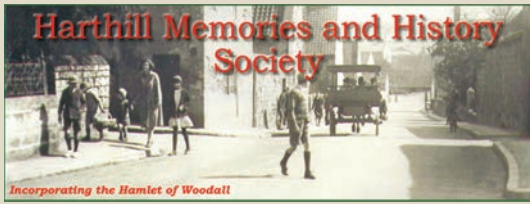


This year has been particularly challenging for the upkeep of the Churchyards. The grass seems to have grown twice as fast and the nettles were twice as tall! The PCC aims to keep the Churchyard as tidy as possible and over the past few months, the grass has had to be cut every 2 weeks or so. The nettles have recently been cleared. The result is a wonderful, calm and peaceful setting. Many thanks to Shaun Howe and his team for their hard work, and thanks also to the trustees of the Mark Hydes Trust for helping to fund some of the additional work needed.

For further information email Sheila Kinghorn at [allhallowsharthill@gmail.com](mailto:allhallowsharthill@gmail.com).

# Harthill & Woodall Memories & History Society

Remembrance Sunday falls on Sunday 12th November



## HARTHILL'S MEMORIAL CROSS DEDICATED BY THE BISHOP OF SHEFFIELD 15th August 1920 - HONOURING THE FALLEN



Photograph: E J Mullins 2022

The Harthill War Memorial Cross stands on the grass plot to the north of the rectory gates, and the names of the fallen are inscribed on a tablet fixed to the rear wall.

The work is mounted on an octagonal plinth and is sculpted in Portland stone. The design is that of Mr. J. D. Webster, Architect, of Sheffield, and the sculptors were Messrs. Tory and Sons, also of Sheffield. The memorial cross is edged with a limestone boundary wall surmounted by cast iron railings. The enclosure is paved with limestone paving slabs.

The total cost of the cross amounted to approximately £350 and was met by public subscriptions.

At the ceremony on the 15th August 1920, Mr Cass. W. Smith, on behalf of the memorial committee and the parish, handed over the cross to the care of the Kiveton Park Urban District Council, requesting that the District Council keep the memorial in all due sacredness and honour.

Councillor Brady on behalf of the District Council accepted the care of the cross, and at the time stated that it was not only the present Council under whose care it would rest, but also those of the future, as it would ever stand to the memory of those names it honoured. RMBC now have responsibility for maintaining the War Memorial.

There are two tablets formed from a mixture of white marble and limestone mounted to the rear wall of the memorial.

The first tablet measures 50.8 cm wide x 60.96 cm high, and reads:

*To the glory of God and in honoured memory of the Harthill men who laid down their lives in The Great War 1914-1919.*

This cross was dedicated by their fellow parishioners

Private A Allison	1st South Wales Borderers
Private Jn Baxter	3rd Lincolnshire Regiment
Private W Covell	8th East Yorkshire Regiment
Private J T P Ellis	2nd York and Lancaster Regiment
1st Warrant Officer	
Geo H Field	Royal Marines
Private R Featherstone	9th York and Lancaster Regiment
Private H Gay	1st Northumberland Fusiliers
Sergeant R Jones	9th York and Lancaster Regiment
Private A Jones	9th Notts & Derby Regiment
(Sherwood Foresters)	
Driver F Moseley	Army Service Corps
Private E E Renshaw	27th London Regiment
Private A A Smith	1st Grenadier Guards
Private H Smith	14th York and Lancaster Regiment
Private G Waplington	1st Coldstream Guards

### R.I.P.

### 1939 - 1945

E. Bradshaw H. Highfield  
D. Snowden M. Turnbull  
W. Vergette

Harthill Carnival will be 50 years old next year

## HARTHILL CARNIVAL 2024

### 'CELEBRATING 50 YEARS' OF CARNIVAL'

We are excited to announce that 2024 will mark 50 years since the very first Harthill Carnival & Show, which took place in 1974 on Harthill Cricket Field. It is therefore fitting that the theme for next year's Carnival Parade will be '50 Years of Carnival'.

We really want to celebrate this milestone and the fact that this great community tradition continues to stand the test of time. We are currently planning on how we can make next year just that little bit extra special. So, if any local organisations, groups or individuals have any ideas you would like us to consider, then please get in touch by e-mailing [harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com)

We will be making further announcements as we move towards next year.

## Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 12th September 2023 at Harthill Village Hall at 7 pm

The Agenda for this meeting will be on the Parish Council website by the Thursday preceding the meeting or by request from the Clerk

Clerk\_harthillwithwoodallpc@outlook.com  
www.harthillwithwoodallpc.org.uk



### Clerk to the Council **Caroline Havenhand**

My working days are  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday  
10 am until 4 pm  
and Wednesday  
10 am until 12 noon

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## Road Closures

Much has been posted on social media regarding Northern Powergrid (NPG) and the work to provide high power electricity cables through the village to Woodall Services, which is currently taking place.



Many of the comments are quite justified, some of them misinformation, some ill-informed, and some simply insulting, both to the Parish Council and Parish Councillors.

The Parish Council was first approached by NPG for permission to go across Spens Field with power cables, as part of work to be able to install high speed charging points for electric vehicles at Woodall Services, in line with Government strategy. The original plans that were put to us involved coming down Jackys Lane and across Spens Field, to try to alleviate some of the disruption for the works on Union Street and Woodall Lane. As the Parish Council holds a long lease on Spens Field, NPG sought our permission.

Requesting permission was a courtesy. It soon became clear in our discussions that, as a utility company, NPG has statutory powers to do anything that they believe is necessary to maintain the electrical infrastructure. They are not required to consult, and current government statute (unlike water authorities) does not require them to compensate. Council gave 'permission' for Spens Field to be used, and up to the end of April this year that is what Council understood to be happening and was awaiting more detailed information on timings etc.

Once the plans were communicated, which showed that using Jackys Lane and Spens Field had been resolved to be unviable by NPG, it was clear that the Parish would be facing major disruption and that the Parish Council nor RMBC were in a position to refuse it. RMBC had already done a lot of work to look at how road closures could work. Whilst very concerned the Parish Council felt that it was important to establish good lines of communication with NPG so that as a minimum, issues could be hi-lighted and hopefully resolved as they arose during the works. NPG did agree to our request to implement the one-way system on Packman Lane and Manor Road, they did hold a meeting at the village hall to talk to parishioners, and they did attend Harthill Carnival to take questions. They also sent letters to all parishioners.

These were all things that the Parish Councillors, working with Ward Councillors and RMBC, requested once it became aware of the works in their current format. All was done to try to communicate as much information as was available to help people in the parish prepare for the upheaval.

The Parish Council pressed NPG over some sort of compensation, particularly for small businesses, but this would appear to be an issue that only government statute can solve, to bring Electricity companies in line with Water Authorities.

However, after some research and further questions, Council was successful in gaining access to their Community Partnering Funding scheme to provide funding (not compensation) towards some kind of physical play addition that would benefit the community.

Whilst no-one welcomes the timing or the disruption of this work, the new cabling is very high capacity and more than will be required at Woodall Services. It is our understanding that when the work is completed, subject to planning permission for a new sub-station, the village network will eventually be connected to make use of the spare capacity. This should help reduce the number of power outages that we seem to suffer and help power the new vehicle charging stations in the village which will be required if government targets are to be met. Charging stations are already featuring as conditions in new planning applications.

As a Parish Council, we do appreciate what the local businesses do for our community and sincerely hope that they come through all of this. There will be some increase in trade from workmen in the village, however both now, and after the works, it is important to support our local shops if we want them to remain. We have checked that signage will be in place to ensure that customers are aware that the shops are open and with the one-way system the detour by car is no more than 10 minutes. We have done what we can to help.

Everyone wants a transition to a greener planet and sometimes this comes with some pain. The move to electric vehicles is pointless if there is no infrastructure to support them.

**Ian Lloyd, Chairman**  
Harthill with Woodall Parish Council

## New Defibrillators are now installed



Harthill with Woodall Parish now has four defibrillators



### These are located:

- On the wall of the Beehive pub
- On the wall adjacent to the noticeboard in Woodall
- At the Village Hall to the right of the noticeboard
- On the Wall of the Doctor's surgery

Three of the units are available thanks to funding from South Yorkshire Community Foundation, through the Loscar Wind Fund.

The Parish Council would also like to thank the owner/occupiers of the three locations for accommodating the units.

## Harthill Allotments

Just a reminder that the Allotments site in Harthill are private land and access is only for allotment holders. A couple of dog walkers have been seen on site or letting dogs roam free to do their business. This is not allowed, and the Parish Council will take action if this continues as dog waste is being left for tenants to navigate.



## Canal & River Trust

Harthill Project Update - as of 22nd August 2023

Canal & River Trust recently ran a public consultation on the proposal to build 15 stepped fishing platforms around the reservoir which closed on 5th August. As this proposal was not included in the original planning application, the Trust will need to submit a variation to that planning application before work can take place. To publicise this consultation, the Trust sent a letter to all households in Harthill and Woodall to ask for their feedback on these proposals, as well as contacting the local MP, councillors and other groups who use the reservoir, and encouraging groups to share the consultation via social media. The Trust is currently reviewing all of the feedback and comments received to inform the variation request, which will be submitted in late September 23.

The project team have completed the work to cut through the embankment, although due to rock levels being lower than expected the excavation work has taken longer than planned. Construction work on the spillway is now progressing, and works are expected to be complete in early 2024.

The archaeology report has been published and is available on the Trust's website. Archaeological surveys were carried out in 2022 by South Yorkshire Archaeological Service (SYAS) to look for any buried archaeological features on the reservoir site. In total, 16 small shards of pottery were found. It is thought that the shards belong to 14 separate pieces of pottery such as jars, dishes and bowls. The archaeologists estimate that some of these findings date back as far as the 13th and 14th centuries, with others dating back to the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. In addition to the shards of pottery, two tiny fragments of a clay tobacco pipe dating back to the 17th or 18th century were discovered, along with a 16th or 17th century copper alloy buckle and a small iron nail of undetermined age. The collection of pottery will be archived in Clifton Park Museum.

You can read the full archaeological report at [www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/harthill](http://www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/harthill)



# WALES WARD



Councillor  
Dominic Beck



Councillor  
Marnie Havard

Covering Harthill, Kiveton, Wales, Waleswood and Woodall

## Councillors Dominic Beck and Marnie Havard Update

We trust that despite the unseasonal weather for much of this summer, you have still managed to make the most of it with your family and friends. Firstly, we know how understandably frustrated and concerned residents are about the ongoing and planned works by Northern Powergrid (NPG) through the village. Now sadly, there isn't much we can do to stop NPG doing what they're legally entitled to do as utility company, but we have been steadfast in ensuring your views have been heard by NPG. In addition, insisted that for the length of their stay with us, NPG and Balfour Beatty their principal contractor are respectful and return the verges, roads and footpaths to a neat and safe condition.

We are keen to see some lasting benefits for Harthill and Woodall from these works as it seems despite the protracted disruption, there is no derived benefit for the area. Like us, we know the Parish Council are keen to see some lasting investments come from NPG also. Hopefully they'll be some positive news on this. We are also keen that people use the local businesses in the village, they need us now more than ever, especially those of us who maybe don't ordinarily use them. Supporting them at this time is incredibly important to ensure they can survive and continue to thrive in the future.

It is important residents keep in touch with us on any arising issues as the works progress so we can all ensure our beautiful corner of Yorkshire is returned to being that way long after NPG have concluded their works.

On a final note, more positively, we'd like to congratulate the Harthill Carnival Society for once again organising such a brilliant event for the village in July - the weather didn't detract from a marvellous weekend.

Until next time, very best wishes.

*Cllrs Dominic Beck and Marnie Havard*

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## Harthill Workbench

As the weeks roll by and we start to move into autumn I cannot but commend our members for the work which has been done over the last few months. Braving the heat of June, the rain in July, the projects continue to be outstanding.

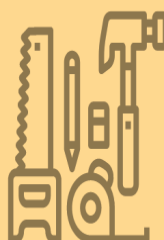
We have been open for 5 years now and some of our "novices" are now skilled woodworkers producing fantastic pieces.

We try to keep a good stock of wood, pine, oak and mahogany at prices much lower than retail outlets. An added bonus is that our fully equipped workshop can now be truly called at "professional standard" with the addition of a brand-new lathe, a far cry from 5 years ago when everything we had was second hand.

Fancy trying a bit of woodwork? Come along: male, female, skilled, novice - all are welcome.

We are open 10 am to 2 pm Wednesday right through to Sunday, the kettle is always on, tuition on mashing given to new members!

*Dave Tingle - Harthill Workbench*





## Harthill Tea Day & Social Club



Harthill Tea Day has had a very happy and eventful spring/summer. In May we held a Coronation party, complete with crowns, and a cake baked by our local baker. We all rejoiced in welcoming our new King. We also did some chair exercises to music and drummed along with drumsticks, which was very enjoyable. June arrived and a tabletop and cake sale was arranged. In July we had a stall at Harthill Carnival, and despite the torrential rain, had our best year yet. We also had a day out in Bridlington and once again when we set off it poured with rain, luckily, we arrived to the sun shining, we all had a fabulous day. In September we are off to Louth market and then on to Cleethorpes. To celebrate our 72nd birthday we are planning to hold a party, and preparations for Christmas are well in hand. If you would like to join our happy club, just come along, we meet every two weeks in Harthill Village Hall, we look forward to meeting you.

If you would like to join our group or require further information, please call Sue on 01909 772778, or Marlene on 01909 771432, we look forward to hearing from you.

## Harthill Village Hall Ltd

On the 9th July we were very sorry to say goodbye to June Carter on her retirement.

She has been the Village Hall Caretaker for the last 33 years, ably supported by husband Robert.



Over all these years we have been lucky to have someone so reliable and who has kept our hall looking spick and span throughout all that time.

On the 13th July we had a little reception in the Hall to say thank you. June was presented with an inscribed vase, some flowers to go in it and an M & S voucher from the Hall directors. Some of the Morris men/ladies also attended with their own gifts to show their appreciation.

June will be sadly missed, and we all wish her and Robert a long and happy retirement.

We also give a warm welcome to Kim Spencer, who has taken over this challenging role.

Ian Lloyd

## Harthill-with-Woodall WI August 2023



We've enjoyed a variety of speakers and evenings throughout our WI programme so far this year. We enjoyed 'Chair Yoga' in April with a guest speaker and tucked into a celebration evening for the Coronation of King Charles in May. June brought us the highly entertaining Keith Mosely with his talk raising funds for the Air Ambulance - a real treat! In July, we had an open meeting and were joined by over 20 guests to hear from Rod Auton about the work of the Chesterfield Canal Trust. A real insight into the history of the canals and the work to restore many areas in our region. Just last week, despite the 'unsummer-like' weather we have been experiencing, we enjoyed an evening at Harthill Leisure Centre for our 'Bring, Eat & Drink' informal get together. We were joined by two guests, both of whom have since joined, taking our membership to 50 ladies. We are delighted with how our WI is thriving and giving friendship and companionship to so many ladies. The rest of our programme is set and we're looking forward to enjoying 'An Evening with Chocolate' on the 19th September. This is another open meeting, if you wish to join us, please email [harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com](mailto:harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com) for details.

October is Trick, Treat & Prosecco with two of our talented ladies leading us through using pumpkins for floral decorations; in November we are welcoming local resident, Grahame Farleigh, to talk to us about 'His Life with Antiques'; we'll celebrate the festive season in December; we will welcome Ted Mullins from Harthill Memories Society in January before our Silent Auction in February and our AGM in March.

We are very much looking forward to being part of the celebrations for Harthill Carnival's 50th Birthday next year and are thrilled that we think we have sufficient interest to bring back the WI float in next year's parade. Now we've declared it, we have to, don't we?!

We've enjoyed another Manor Operatics performance, this time it was Grease and have tickets reserved for the Pantomime at the City Hall in Sheffield on December 28th at 2 pm. Coach and tickets available from [harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com](mailto:harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com)

A group of us went to ShowStoppers at the Lyric in Dinnington to see an amateur theatre group perform - a brilliant evening, despite the half-time evacuation because of the smoke machine! We've had day trips to the Yorkshire Lavender Farm, enjoyed a Yorkshire Day celebration at Winthrop Gardens in Wickersley and many meals/lunches out.

Our regular Friday morning coffee meetings have continued. We meet most Friday mornings from 10.30 am for coffee in The Blue Bell, and these are enjoyed by many of us. We welcome all ladies from the village and surrounding area, whether WI members or not.

Come and join us! We meet every third Tuesday in the month at 7.15 pm in the Village Hall. New members are always welcome, and visitors are welcome to 'try before they buy' for a nominal fee.

Here's to many more wonderful evenings together and another year of inspiring women with the WI.



## Alexander Stafford your MP for Rother Valley



Like most people, the summer is my favourite time of the year. I love being at home in Harthill with my family, walking in the long summer evenings, and getting out and about doing some of the amazing family-friendly activities we are so lucky to have nearby. I also greatly value getting to speak to as many residents, in Harthill but also across Rother Valley, as I can, so that I can hear what more I can do to make our community happier and healthier.

This summer, lots of people have been speaking to me about how much they, like me, love our beautiful countryside. We are so lucky to have the beautiful fields, woods, and waterways that surround our villages, and we must all be careful to preserve them. I look forward to the reservoir works finishing later this year and, while I am aware there are concerns about the fishing platforms, I know it will make a great addition to our natural landscape.

I know also that lots of people, me included, have concerns about the effect of the continued road closures in Harthill on our brilliant local businesses like our pubs, our butcher, our bakery, our grocer, and our hairdresser. I am in regular contact with Rotherham council to make sure that disruption stays to a minimum, and we get back to normal as soon as possible. The one-way system, while not perfect, is a great improvement and I know all residents will value the work done locally to get it up and running; and I am pleased I could help them keep up the pressure on Rotherham Council, so that it was implemented as quickly as possible.

I am also strongly encouraging Rotherham Council to financially compensate our shops and pubs, which are being so badly affected by these closures, from the money Northern Powergrid is paying them to carry out these works - this seems only fair, and right to help our essential small businesses. I have also, after speaking with my fellow residents, called on Rotherham council to re-open the road outside of hours when works are taking place, to further minimise disruption. Infrastructure upgrades are, of course, necessary, but we in Harthill should not have to put up with endless disruption, and I will continue to push for sensible compromises.

Finally, as we approach one year since the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, I know that I speak on behalf of all residents of Harthill and Woodall when I send my best thoughts to the Royal Family, and all families across the UK. Followers of my Facebook Page will know, amongst many other things, that I recently had the honour of meeting His Majesty, The King, and giving him all of our best wishes.

As always, if you would like to discuss something with me, and you have not managed to speak to me while I have been around and about, then please do get in touch with me at [alexander.stafford.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:alexander.stafford.mp@parliament.uk) or call my office on 01909 494 952.

*Alexander Stafford*

## Harthill Cricket Club



### NWLCC 1sts v Harthill 1sts

The 2023 cricket season has been very stop-start with the fixtures being decimated by the weather. Out of 18 games for the 1st team, 6 have been cancelled without a ball being bowled and one was abandoned part way through.

Having won the league last season, we are now in relegation fight, not helped by us missing games against lower placed teams that we needed to win.

As it stands, with 4 games left to play we are currently 4th bottom and "safe" but two teams and potentially three get relegated.

Once the season started, in what should have been the 4th game, we were unlucky to lose by just 6 runs to Worksop and this was followed by another 6-run defeat to Whitwell.

The 1st win of the season was recorded on 10th June at home to Farnsfield where Harthill scored 195/9 (Dom Cumming 88) and won by 14 runs with Chris Page the pick of the bowlers with 4 for 27 off 10 overs. This was followed up by a 6 wicket win against Ordsall Bridon, with Dom taking 4 for 27 and scoring 65 with the bat.

In one of the most remarkable games of local cricket you will ever see, we tied at home with North Wheatley. We scored a very good 245 for 7 with Bradie Shaw hitting 77 off 66 balls and had Wheatley in masses of trouble at 20 for 4 and 118 for 8. Unfortunately, they managed to put on an unbeaten 97 for the final wicket and tie the game with a 4 off of the final ball of the match. Jack Mason was the pick of the Harthill bowlers with 5 for 26.

Highlights of this game are available on You Tube! Retford were beaten away by 100 runs with Dom scoring 124 not out and Reece van Staden 81 as Harthill piled up 289 for 5, followed by a victory in our last game beating Ordsall Bridon away by 28 runs, with Bradie Shaw bowling at express pace to take 3 for 35.

The second team are having an excellent season and have all but secured third place in Division 5. In a tense, rain-affected game against Mansfield Hosiery Mills, Harthill needed to score 110 from 33 overs. After a 50-run opening partnership, the wheels came off and Harthill were needing 5 to win in the final over, after a single, Chris Woodward was on strike and promptly hit the 2nd ball for six to secure victory. This was followed by a 94-run victory against Sherwood with Ian Batty (68) & Andrew Collinson (59) sharing an opening stand of 131 and Chris Woodward claiming 5 for 26.

In a remarkable debut for the club, Chris Radford scored 160 ably supported by Chris Woodward with 61 in an 89-run victory at Welbeck.

Leading run scorers for the 2nd team are Andrew Collinson and Martin Grayson both with 291 and the leading wicket taker is Chris Woodward with 16 followed by Archie Plant with 13.

All fixtures, results and league tables can be found at: <https://bassetlawdcl.play-cricket.com/home>

Finally, I would like to thank our sponsors for their continued support. The Beehive, Formist and Newett Homes.

*Andy Rossington*

## Hartwheelers

My last piece for The Hart looked forward to “dry roads and tracks and some fair-weather fun”. I even contemplated beginning this piece with “Summertime and the cycling is easy”. Some hope; more like “Summertime and the drizzle’s unceasing”! Nevertheless, we Hartwheelers are made of sturdy stuff and have continued to venture out, despite soggy saddles and dripping digits. I’ve even got my summer cyclist’s brown arms, brown thighs to ankles, but this year it’s not a suntan, it’s rust!

Hartwheeler highlights have included a group of us exploring glorious Wharfedale over two days in May, and the Coasts and Castles route in Northumberland, Newcastle and onto Berwick-upon-Tweed, over two days, in July. Some of our mega-riders tackled the Jo Cox charity ride, supporting the Jo Cox Foundation - Batley to London - 288 miles over five days! A few of us have even cycled abroad. We got wet, too.

Regular Hartwheelers cycle meets include:

- Monday night social rides, all abilities welcome, at 6.30 pm
- Tuesday night hill training sessions on Kiveton Community Woodlands at 6.30 pm. Strenuous.
- Two Wednesday night mountain bike rides; one for beginners/less confident riders and a more challenging ride, both starting at 6.30 pm
- Friday morning “musketeeer” rides to the café at Netherthorpe Airfield
- Saturday morning rides, all abilities welcome

Several Hartwheelers also ride out with the Bolsover and District Cycling Club on a Sunday morning on a 50 mile round trip.

Some of us will ride the Grindleford Goat Sportive on the 10th of September. There’s a choice of road and MTB rides, 22-106 km, in delightful, but hilly, Derbyshire scenery.

Hartwheelers ride throughout the year; we are very keen to welcome new members - we’ll even tune up your bike for you! Please have a look at our Facebook page, or contact Ruth Sutherland on 07786 543408

*Andy Warren*



## Harthill Leisure Centre

Located at the side of Car Park, Spens Field, Harthill

Our Makers Markets this summer have been a success with local crafters and producers offering locally made gifts and crafts.

Despite our wash out summer the centre has been busy with bowling, netball and football. We have plans to upgrade the court making it more accessible for all. We do have daytime and evening slots available on the court and the centre meeting rooms is available at £8 per hour.



**HARTHILL**  
LEISURE CENTRE

For bookings, pitch reservation or enquiries about activities on offer please contact Neill Radford on 07971081318 or message us via our Facebook page which is regularly updated with news and events.



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## Harthill Morris



Hi Folks,

Harthill Morris have had a full, active summer of merriment, with music, dancing, laughing, and mischief, it was wonderful to take part in the Harthill Carnival procession again.

Our next performance will be at the Kelham Island Victorian Christmas Market, on Sunday 3rd December, and then on to our traditional visit to the two Harthill public houses on Boxing Day - this will be our 48th consecutive Boxing Day performance without a single break.

We are planning a "Meet the Morris" day in late October at the Village Hall. This will be an informal open day for you to drop in and see the Harthill Morris ladies and gents practicing the Morris moves, the musicians playing the Morris music, and a display from the Harthill Morris archives going back almost 50 years. There will be refreshments provided along with a warm welcome. You are all invited to attend and meet the side. Details will be circulated via our social media channels once confirmed.

As the year comes round to autumn, we commence our practice season in Harthill Village Hall, every Thursday evening from 7th September through to April. This is the ideal time for you to join us - we are enthusiastic for new members to step forward and help keep this classic village tradition alive. With patient tuition and encouraging support you will learn the important discipline of being able to laugh at yourself and develop the fine motor skills required to master the brutal finesse of stick dancing. Come join us as we prepare to practice ahead for 2024. Any enquiries please contact Lesley Ellam at [harthill.bagman@gmail.com](mailto:harthill.bagman@gmail.com)

Wassail!!

**Darren Nugent**  
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## Santa will be coming to Harthill



We are excited to announce we will be holding a Village Christmas Lights switch on event. This will be held on Saturday 2nd December, and you can watch Santa making his sleigh journey around the village before arriving at the Leisure Centre.

At the Leisure Centre, there will be performances from Harthill Village Voices and Maltby Brass Band. There will also be a bar and food available, and there will be a number of stalls selling festive goodies. Come along and get into the Christmas spirit!

**HARTHILL CARNIVAL SOCIETY PRESENTS**

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